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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
REMARKS/ARGUMENT

This Response is filed in reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 5, 2005. Applicant elects the invention of Group I: Claims 1-10, drawn to a substrate processing apparatus, classified in Class 156, subclass 345.17.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter covered in the non-elected claims.

Early and favorable consideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

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